Elementary Schools.

90. * **MR. P. S. MOHAMED** : Will the Govern-ment be pleased to state the number of elementary schools and the number of teachers in such schools in the towns of (i) Trivandrum, (ii) Nagercoil, (iii) Quilon, (iv) Alleppey, and (v) Kottayam ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI :

No.	*Name of towns.*	*No. of schools.*	*No. of teachers*
1.	Trivandrum ...	36	226
2.	Nagercoil ...	19	96
3.	Quilon ...	9	49
4.	Alleppey ...	15	109
5.	Kottayam ...	18	94

MR. P. S. MAHOMED : May I know whether in any of these centres there is compulsory education?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: It is under consideration by Govern-ment.

Medical Department.

91. * **MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI** (*The Travancore Jenmies-North*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Doctors in the Medical Department are given any Refresher Course ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the term and centre for the same ?

DR. S. JOHN (*Surgeon General*) : (*a*). No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*) this question does not arise.

Training in Midwifery.

92 * **MR. P. M. VARGHESE** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a course of training in midwifery was not given to a few women in the District Hospital, Muvattupuzha some time ago;

(*b*) whether the Government has received any petition from them ; and

(*c*) if so, when and what action was taken ?

DR. S. JOHN: (*a*) There was no midwifery class. Four girls were trained in this centre as dhais.

(*b*) Yes. Some of them have applied for some place in the Medical Department.

(*c*) They were informed that the aim of Government in starting dhai classes is to give some training to women on the general princi-ples relating to labour cases, so that they may do social service among women.

MR. P. M. VARGHESE (*Meenachil cum Thodupuzha*) : May I know whether after training these people are appointed in any of the hos-pitals in the State?

DR. S. JOHN : No appointment is guaranteed after training.

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